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A MEMORY.

A grasp! a sigh! a breath suppressed! The tired heart forgets to beat, Forgets pain, and seizes rest. Beyond the night the angels greet A soul that flees from earth to light, To Christ with heaven-born delight?

The summer sun, the frozen shore, The autumn chill, the spring's glad song. Advance, but speak to thee no more Of earthly joys, amid the throng Of days that, one by one bear all Through pathways dim at heaven's call

Weep not for those who never sigh, 'He giveth his beloved sleep, And blessed are the dead who die In Christ, Therefore we may not weep For one who lived in deeds of love Until, He called, "Well done! Above!

Rejoice for souls that rest in light; That rest, and reap rewards full meet; That live in God's own dwelling bright; And know no frost, no noon-tide heat, The victory of death is theirs, And banished all these earthly cares.

Beneath, an everlasting arm! Above, the Father's quick'ning smile, If thus enforced, there comes no harm, E'en though the tempests madly pile Their angry billows, wave on wave, He knows, therefore, dear heart, be brave.

MRS L. J BACOTE.

We take pleasure in presenting to our readers this week the sketch of a young western woman whose studious habits from early childhood, combined with natural talents have brought her well to the front in the musical and educational world. Mrs. Bacote, formerly Miss Bledsoe of Topeka, Kansas, began her public school life at the age of five and graduated from the Topeka High School in 1900, making first rank in German and Latin, and is still a student of both these languages. For eleven years she has pursued the study of music, studying for three years of this time at Washburn Coilege, Topeka, and for one year in the New England Conservatory, Boston, Massachusetts. The pipe organ as well as the piano has received her attention. Thus she manipulates both instruments with grace and ease. For six years she was organist of the B Street Baptist church of Topeka, and her plano forte recitals in Boston, Kansas City, Topeka. Denver and elsewhere, bave attracted large audiences. August 22d, 1901 Miss Bledsoe became the wife of Rev. S. W. Bascote of the Second Baptist church, a gentleman and scholar of rare worth and financial ability. By her winsome and unassuming manner Mrs. Bacote has readily won the hearts not only of the parishioners, but of the people generally. Kansas City's gates easily open to those who help to make it "A good place to live in."

report of the Day Nursery of the Insti tutional church and Social Settlement pastor and warden. Within a few bearing upon the church and settlement, while the illustrations of the Day are mechanics, merchants, farmers and Nursery, "Teachers and children of the instructors. They are accumulating kin lergarten." The kindergarten room. property, gaining education and lifting etc. furnish practicl object lessons of the work that has been planned and carried into effect. Much credit is given the social side of the colored man's sto and justly to The Sunshine Circle of ry. He dwelt on the real side. He your newsdealer. Price per copy, the King's Daughters for the establish- said the colored folks in the South cents.

ment and maintenance of the day nursery.

At the recent convention of the Ohio



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State Federation of Women's Clubs the following, among other resolutions were offered:

Resolved, that we denounce ragtime music, especially among colored people, as its tendency is to lower their natural taste for music, and to deprive the race of one of its most promising features toward culture.

Resolved, that we condemn the National Federation of Women's Clubs for insulting Mrs. Judge Ruffin of Boston, one of the most cultured and beau tiful women of our race.

Resolved, that we protest against the barbarous lynchings, the obnoxious Jim Crow Car laws of the South, and the convict labor lease system. Seeking no favors because of our color, we knock at the bar of justice and sak for an equal chance with that of the white

The World of Opportunity.

In Chicago the other day Booker T. Washington, a man who has done more to show for what he has done for himself than most men have, a man of a race which is idenied many of the rights and privileges accorded those of whiter skin, a man who came from bondage to the high plane of intelligent achievement, addressed an assemblage at the rooms of the Twentieth Century Club. Booker Washington is a black Moses, leading a race to a We are indebted to Mrs. J. Evans of promised land. He is at the head of an Chicago for a copy of the first annua, educational institution which carries on its rolls more than a thousand names. He told the audience that the of which Rev. R C. Ransom, D. D, is colored man is working wonders in his own advancement. From slavery he pages many important facts are related has come in forty years to be a power in the industrial world. Colored men themselves up.

Mr Washington laid little stress on

were received by the commericial and industrial world, and were patronized extensively by the white people, Perhaps there is in his talk a sermon for white as well as for black men. The world is full of opportunity for the man who will accept the fate that is his. If he wins success, sustains his family by his honest effor's and fills a place in the industrial field, he is bond to command the respect and esteem of his neighbors, no matter what his color. As for social equality, that is a person al matter which will never be deter mined to the satisfaction of any race. The crowning of the British King awakens interminable discussion as to social precedence, and who may walk ahead of somebody else in the procession. This stately and official proceeding is not of half as much consequence to the world as the grasping of an opportunity by a white man or a black man, and the prosecution of that op



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Of the Tribune .- A Free Lance and an Advocate of the Industrial Idea of Negro Education.

portunity to a successful finish .- Philadelphia Tribune.

Is This the Southern Policy?

And now comes the announcement that the Hon. J. H. Deveaux, collector of the port of Savannah, Ga., will not be reappointed on the expiration of his term next March. No reason is assigned except that some good Democrat wishes the position, as it is of most im portance and the best paying appointment in the state. It looks as tho Mr. Dancy was with withdrawn from Wilmington, N. C., for a similar reason. If these matters are as they seem we certainly do not understand the present administration. Surely the President is not expecting these Southern white men to prefer a Negro before themselves when they think there is a chance for them to secure the appointment? There is no denying the fact that the black man is better prepared to fill such a position now than ever before and yet opposition to him increases and the Republican party seems to yield to it just as rapidly as such opposition advances. - Southwestern Christain Advo-

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